

**Charles E. Summers, Jr.
New England Regional Administrator
U.S. Small Business Administration**



Charles E. Summers, Jr. was sworn in as the New England Regional Administrator of the U.S. Small Business Administration on March 7, 2005. In this capacity he manages SBA District Offices in Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island and Vermont and has oversight of the SBA's Financing, Marketing and Outreach efforts in the six-state region.

Prior to assuming his current position with the SBA, Mr. Summers served as State Director for United States Senator Olympia Snowe from 1995 to 2004. Charlie served both as a trusted advisor and a strong advocate for Mainers who needed help navigating federal agencies. His knowledge of, and close interaction with, federal and state agencies, military installations, veterans' service organizations and key business leaders, made him an extraordinarily effective advocate.

In 1990 Summers was elected to the Maine State Senate (District 31) and served on the Joint Standing Committees on Legal Affairs and Inland Fisheries and Wildlife. Upon re-election in 1992 he served as the ranking member on the Joint Standing Committee on Taxation.

Growing up in the family's hotel business and later managing motels in Bangor and South Portland, as well as owning and running his own small businesses, Summers has firsthand knowledge and understanding of issues facing New England and America's entrepreneurs.

Mr. Summers and his wife, Ruth, reside in Scarborough with their two children; Tricia, a junior at Queen's University and Chas, a junior at Scarborough High School.